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It is not to be supposed that any person of proved criminal attributes will see anything wrong in the letter of a citizen to a member of the Legislature withdrawing "favors" on account of his vote on a public measure!

Congress now has the women on its trail, and no one believes it will dare stand against the onslaught.

Mr. Pollock is coming. Honolulu should be prepared to celebrate and forget the iceberg and the butternut-cocktail joke.

Let us have temperance in Hawaii no opposed to reckless agitation that rewards progress and discredits honorable efforts at reform.

Queensland sugar people thought they would go to the wall under the burden of white labor. They were not only mistaken but they are enjoying a steadily increasing prosperity.

One million dollars of bonds taken up without the participation of capitalists who have hitherto held the record of controlling everything, speaks well for the financial status of Honolulu at the present time.

The Bulletin is disposed to think well of Mr. Woolley and recognize his right to become a member of any political party he sees fit to join. But when Woolley or anyone like him displays himself in public as the exponent of all that is Right and all who have reached other conclusions are not only Wrong but enemies of the Common Good, he is taking a course that must hurt the cause he has served with enthusiasm. The liquor problem is not solved but there is an increasing number of men who have lived in Prohibition States who know that Prohibition is a failure.

Annapolis of nothing in particular, "A Settin'" published in Hilo, delivers itself of the following:

If you're not fit for anything else, if you are drunk and hungry, you can get a job on the roads. Sure! There are no poor houses, so it is a good thing a man can get work on the roads when he is turned off a job at the Masonic building and another at the Volcano Station. Having the job he can get something to eat and he won't get drunk. Nine men out of ten when asked for money even to buy food, will buy a drink instead and an empty belly can't stand many of them.

There may be some deep meaning in the reference to a man turned off the Masonic Temple or Volcano Station job. What attracts this paper in relation of work on the roads to Hawaii's lack of poor-houses. If the roads save men from becoming public charges, the construction is cheap at double the price per day.

MR. RICHARDS' LETTER AND REFORM.

It is an interesting commentary on the moral standard of Honolulu that certain elements claiming the privilege of moral censorship over the community look upon the letter of Theodore Richards to Senator Coe as little short of criminal on the part of Coe who received it!

A letter of that character addressed to a State legislator of Iowa, for instance, would call for a Grand Jury investigation and action on the part of judicial officers that would at least furnish a moral example if it did not eliminate that style of business from public affairs.

Here in Honolulu the member of the Legislature is attacked for having been the recipient of such a letter, and the general atmosphere of the "moralists" is apparently one of sadness that the favors given in the hope of securing a vote were not accepted in the spirit in which they were extended.

Yet in the face of this some of our people try to make out that new blood is not needed in the official lists of the Territory, in order that common justice and common honesty may not

perish from the Territory of Hawaii! Campaigns with the "moral" tag on them have been so frequently conducted in this city with threats and blackmail as their chief weapons, that honest men of the islands and an increasing number from the mainland believe that Hawaii will move forward toward honest Americanism with markedly quickened step when a fair number of the reformers, reform.

WHITE WORKMEN IN SUGAR FIELDS.

The labor problem, as regards the sugar industry, seems to be solved as far as Queensland is concerned. Northern Australia is a much hotter and more tropical country than Hawaii; still, after the deportation of the South Sea Islanders, the last of whom left Queensland some time ago, a rush of cool, hard-working white labor has set in, and the supply is ample at present. White cane-cutters are earning from \$15. to \$20.50 per week, and that is good pay for a laborer in Australia. This the planters are able to pay on account of the bonus paid by the Government on sugar produced by white labor.

Shelters, of course, earn more, but their expenses are very heavy, as they have to travel from one sheep station to another, and they are not very long in the one place. On the other hand, cane-cutters are at the same place for the whole season, and when the crop is harvested tackle the other plantation jobs.

The "Town and Country Journal," than which there is not a more reliable paper in Australia, gives a very good review of the labor situation that is of vast interest to Hawaii, where the sugar industry must employ a steadily increasing force of citizen labor.

"There is a charm about the planter's life that reminds one of the pleasures of fruit culture on an irrigation colony," says the Journal. "Cane culture has its drawbacks. One runs risks with regard to labor. This, however, is an old trouble that is gradually disappearing, though the boy is raised by self-deluded altruists producing some from time to time."

"It has been said from the beginning that white men cannot work in the sweltering heat of a cane field, and no distinction was made between Southern and Northern Queensland. This affirmation crystallized into a dogma, and was unconsciously adopted as an article of faith. But, in the fulness of time, discredit was cast upon this creed by experience, and it was admitted that white men can stand the heat and burden of the day cultivating or cutting cane."

"It was then said, 'White labor is unreliable, and fails in performance of its promises at the critical moment when so much depends on its stability.' However, no argument based on practice or theory could stem the tide, and the deportation of the South Sea Islander came. It was inevitable as things stood. Planters, nevertheless, hoped against hope. The passage was a painful one, and opening the recording angel's book at this chapter one will imagine he is reading the Book of Lamentations. The mountains groaned, not in pangs of birth, but in fear of death. It seemed like the end of all things, for the planter, who, at that stage, could not see—or be expected to see—that it was, after all, not the beginning of the end, but the commencement of a new era, cast in a different mould, and that things being at their apparent worst would begin to mend by virtue of the inherent properties possessed by circumstances in finding a satisfactory solution for the ill the world is heir to. The 8000 South Sea boys went in dribs and drabs until 'the last of the Mohicans' (shipped some time ago, were returned to the enchanted isles of the South Pacific."

"Nature abhors a vacuum," and that created by the repatriation of the South Sea Islander is being filled with a rather fine type of Australian workman, many of whom hate the white 'waster' possibly more than they would have hated the Polynesian had they known him by contact.

A WOMAN'S SAVING PLAN

A FEW YEARS AGO a mahini school teacher who was able to save a few dollars out of her salary every month (she was engaged in a private school) went to a leading business man and asked him to advise her how to invest her small surplus. He told her to buy Ewa stock. She purchased a few shares, and then every time she got a little money ahead she bought more. Now she has fifty shares; they cost her on an average \$25.00 a share, making a total investment of \$1,250.00. She has paid no attention to fluctuations in market prices of stocks; she did not buy for speculation, but for investment, and now her monthly income from her Ewa shares is \$10.00—or \$120.00 a year. That is 9.6 per cent. on her investment. This is not intended as advice; it is simply a little bit of history. But if you wish to discuss the question of stocks and bonds, or investments of any kind, it is our business to serve you. Command us.

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The 'waster' (loafer) is doomed as a gang of cutters averaged nearly far as cane labor is concerned. For years he made the canefields his happy hunting grounds. Workmen of the true type, knowing nothing of the Polynesian—a simple child of Nature in habits and passions—were not tempted to peck work where colored labor held half the field. 'Distance lent (dis)enchantment to the view.'

"Consequently the workmen of doubtful character, who could not hold their own in the open market against workmen of good character, drifted further afield. This floatam and jetsam reached the canefield; became a nuisance and a menace, and, being entitled to call itself 'white,' created a false impression, which is now being slowly rooted out.

"The reputable workman never suffers a human parasite long. He has summary ways, and the 'waster'—who is a parasite—is soon shouldered out. The walk-about or hotel-loading variety of 'waster' was in evidence this season at Bundaberg. The nomadic or froggish, camping-out variety hovered around towns in sugar districts, where he could get rations from the police, or could live by begging, because ashamed to dig, but he is a vanishing quantity.

"The group of workmen the writer has in view disporting on the glade before their tents may be classed at Lloyd's. This class is an increasing quantity. It is Saturday afternoon. The camp employs a cook, so that the drudgery common to camp life when the camper is his own cook and laundress is done away. Cane-cutters earn good wages, and can afford to pay for reasonable comfort. At Goodwood Plantation, last season,

\$15. a week, while the maximum weekly wage was \$20.50. The Federal bonus on white-grown sugar tapers off to nothing in 1911, but the standard of wages, however, is now a fixed law. In a season like the present, owing to frosted cane, it is, of course, not possible to earn so much when cutting is paid for by contract, but it would be a pity if the many excellent workmen who came from northern New South Wales to try cane-cutting this season for the first time should allow themselves to be discouraged, and stay away in future."

WHO TOOK UP BIG BOND ISSUE

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are not in on this, all of which shows that there is an increasing number of large investors in the market:

Panahau Sugar Plantation Co., Ltd. Politz & Co., Honolulu Sugar Co., Pacific Sugar Mill, Theo. H. Davies & Co., Lewis & Co., H. Hackfeld & Co., Allen & Robinson, Ltd., F. Halstead, F. A. Schaefer, Morris Rosenfeld, Murriel C. Shingle, W. H. McInerney. The bonds are sold at ninety-three, and the amount of subscription will be paid in at intervals in keeping with the progress of the work that will start immediately. Those "on the job" say they will soon have a thousand men at work.

This is the biggest financial deal of recent years and now that everything is finished up those who held off are now said to be rushing in and demanding a share of the issue. It all shows the excellent financial condition of the city and best of all demonstrates an increasing readiness of local capitalists to back local enterprises.

The stock market this morning was a little quiet but there is no weakening at any point in the stock list.

The first announcement of a dividend increase was made this morning by Wailuku which advances its dividend from one and a half to three per cent. The stock is held at \$260 and can't be had in any quantity at that.

Hawaiian Commercial is enjoying a temporary lull, selling this morning at \$117. Honolulu is strong at \$18. Wailuku is coming out in very small lots at \$97.50. This stock will pass par on the next spurt. Hutchinson says a little but the report on the plantation are generally favorable and an advance seems probable. Olua is in the running again, selling at \$5 today and not much offering. The general outlook is for a fairly quiet week but as the crop is marketed and there is a fair prospect for some increase in dividends, the whole list will advance in a comparatively short time. The slight drop in sugar had no disquieting effect although beeta went lower than had been anticipated. Nothing has happened to change the general belief that the price will hold at a good average throughout the season.

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For such a franchise the association agrees to pay \$365,000 a year for the first five years and \$400,000 for the second five years. It also promises to reduce the number of saloons from 449 to 250 and properly regulate them.

E. S. J. McAllister, who represents the corporation, refuses to reveal the names of those behind the movement. It is reported that Eastern capital backs the venture, and one of the avowed objects is to counteract the prohibition movement by eliminating the abuses connected with the present operation of saloons. The plan would follow closely the Gothenburg idea as carried out in several European countries.

PRESIDENT TAFT SHIES AT FACTIONAL FIGHTS

Weight of Administration Will Not Be Loaned to Any Candidate.

Mr. Taft has laid down the hard and fast rule that he will not interfere in any political squabble in any state or assist in a factional war within the party. The occasion was the appeal made to him by Senator Hopkins of Illinois, who is a candidate for reelection before the Legislature at Springfield and who, after a contest extending over more than six weeks, is still as far from reelection as ever.

Senator Hopkins argues that he has a mortgage on the office, because he received the greatest number of votes at the primary election. He has never been near a majority of the Legislature on joint ballot, and his friends have begun to despair of his ultimate success.

An unsuccessful appeal was made to President Roosevelt and then Senator Hopkins decided to wait until he could get a chance at Mr. Taft and make his plea. Mr. Taft, it is understood, has made it plain that he cannot aid any particular candidate for Senator when there are others equally deserving.

He regards what he and President Roosevelt did in the New York senatorial election as standing by itself. There could be no question that Elihu Root was the best man for the position in point of standing and equipment, and the influence of the outgoing and the incoming administrations was thrown in favor of Mr. Root with the result that he was elected harmoniously.

The refusal of the President to support Mr. Hopkins was a great disappointment, but Mr. Taft, it is said, will adhere to his position that the President of the United States has no business interfering in the internal party troubles of any particular locality.

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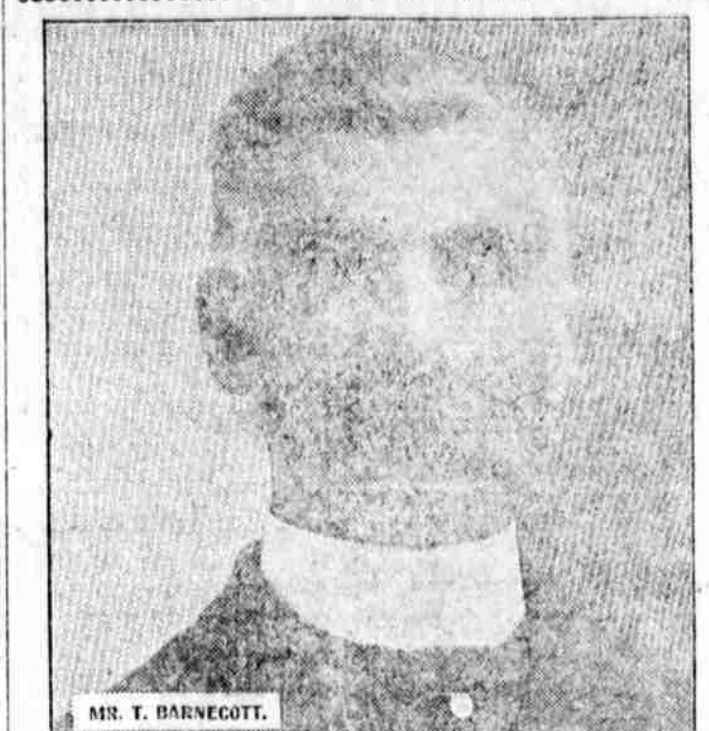
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